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# Staff Recommendations for Stakeholder Advisory Group and Proposed Additions to Blue Ribbon Citizen Commission Announced

First Stakeholder Advisory Group meeting to be held Aug. 19

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** – The California Fish and Wildlife Strategic Vision staff made Stakeholder Advisory Group appointment recommendations to the Executive Committee today. The 52 staff-recommended members were selected from more than 130 applicants. The proposed members were selected using the criteria and interest areas mandated by AB 2376 (Huffman). The Executive Committee will hold a public meeting Wednesday, Aug. 10 where they will act on the staff recommendations. Following the Executive Committee's action, the Stakeholder Advisory Group will later be broken out into smaller working groups in order to concentrate their efforts on specific issue areas. The staff recommendations are listed below and on the strategic vision website.

The first meeting of the Stakeholder Advisory Group will be held Friday, Aug. 19 at 9:30 a.m. in the Resources Building Auditorium, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814. Members are welcome to participate via WebEx. The meeting agenda can be found here.

At the Aug. 10 executive committee meeting, the committee will also vote to appoint two scientists to the California Fish and Wildlife Strategic Vision Blue Ribbon Citizen Commission. The proposed appointments to the Blue Ribbon Citizen Commission are:

David M. Graber, *PhD, Chief Scientist, Pacific West Region, National Park Service* Skyli McAfee, *Executive Director, California Ocean Science Trust* 

## Proposed Stakeholder Advisory Group Members:

## **Sport Fishing**

Chuck Bonham, *Trout Unlimited*Robert Gallia, *Golden Gate Fisherman's Assoc.*April Wakeman, *The Sportfishing Conservancy* 

## **Commercial Fishing**

Josh Fisher, California Lobster and Trap Fishermen's Assoc.

Zeke Grader, Institute for Fisheries Resources
Diane Pleschner-Steele, California Wetfish Producers

#### Hunting

John Carlson, Jr., *California Waterfowl Assoc.*Bill Gaines, *California Outdoor Heritage Alliance*Rick Copeland, *Wilderness Unlimited* 

## **Nonprofit Conservation Organizations**

Mark Biddlecomb, *Ducks Unlimited*Kathy Wood, *Tulare Basin Wildlife Partners*Jay Ziegler, *The Nature Conservancy* 

# **Non-Consumptive Recreational Users**

Kim Delfino, *Defenders of Wildlife* Jennifer Fearing, *The Humane Society of the United States* Daniel Taylor, *Audubon California* 

#### Landowners

Steven Brink, *California Forestry Assoc.*Eileen Reynolds, *Tejon Ranch Company*Nita Vail, *California Rangeland Trust* 

### Science/Education

Walter Duffy, *Humboldt State University* Dennis Murphy, *University of Nevada, Reno* Jeff Self, *Retired Elementary School Teacher* Brent Stewart, *Hubbs-Seaworld Research Institute* 

## **Agriculture**

Noelle Cremers, California Farm Bureau Federation Karen Buhr, California Assoc. of Resource Conservation Districts

Margo Parks, California Cattlemen's Assoc.

## **Business and Industry**

Cliff Moriyama, California Building Industry
David Moser, Ebbin Moser + Skaggs LLP
Diane Ross-Leech, Pacific Gas & Electric Company

## **Tribal/Environmental Justice**

Jesse Gonzalez, Scotts Valley Band of Pomo Indians Craig Tucker, Karuk Tribe Thomas O'Rourke, Yurok Tribe

#### Labor

Christopher Voight, California Assoc. of Professional Scientists

Jerry Karnow, Jr., California Fish and Game Wardens' Assoc.

Brad Willis, Service Employees International Union Local 1000

### **Marine Resources**

Bob Bertelli, California Sea Urchin Commission/California Fisheries Coalition
Kaitlin Gaffney, Ocean Conservancy
Deborah Self, San Francisco Baykeeper

### Water

Brenda Burman, State Water Contractors
David Guy, Northern California Water Assoc.
Tim Quinn, Assoc. of California Water Agencies

### **Local Government**

Deborah Byrne, *Yuba County Fish and Game Commission*Marty Fortney, *Inyo County Board of Supervisors*Mark Marshall, *Colusa County Board of Supervisors* 

#### **State Government**

Jonna Engel, California Coastal Commission Kamyar Guivetchi, Department of Water Resources Annette Whiteford, Department of Food and Agriculture

## **Federal Government**

Patrick Christman, U.S. Marine Corps, Marine Corps Installations West Diana Craig, U.S. Forest Service David Fuller, U.S. Bureau of Land Management

#### Other

John Finger, *Hog Island Oyster Company*Dan Silver, *Endangered Habitats League*Darla Guenzler, *California Council of Land Trusts* 

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